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SUBJECT: GOVERNING MAYOR SPEAKS AT AMERIKA HAUS

1. IN TWO SPEECHES AT BERLIN AMERIKA HAUS WITHIN ONE-WEEK PERIOD, GOVERNING MAYOR SCHUETZ UNDERScoreD BERLIN'S RELIANCE ON U.S. PAST AND PRESENT.

2. SPEAKING MAY 3 BEFORE STEUBEN-SCHURZ SOCIETY ABOUT HIS VISIT TO U.S., SCHUETZ AGAIN THANKED PRESIDENT AND SECRETARY FOR RECEIVING HIM AND SAID HIS CONVERSATIONS IN U.S. ASSURED HIM THAT U.S. WOULD CONTINUE TO SHOULDER ITS RESPONSIBILITIES IN EUROPE, ESPECIALLY BERLIN. HE SAID ABILITY OF U.S. TO CARRY OUT FOREIGN POLICE OBJECTIVES WAS NOT ENDANGERED BY DOMESTIC POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES.

3. SCHUETZ REPORTED EXPERIENCE WITH QA WAS CENTRAL POINT OF TALKS WITH U.S. OFFICIALS. HE SAID HE HAD REPORTED ON RECENT TRANSIT-ROUTE DIFFICULTIES AND DOUBLING OF GDR MINIMUM-CURRENCY-EXCHANGE REQUIREMENTS, AND SAID THAT ATTEMPTS TO LINK FEDERAL PRESENCE WITH UNLIMITED ACCESS UNDER TRANSIT

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AGREEMENT HAD TO BE REJECTED. SCHUETZ DISMISSED ANY NEW

INTERPRETATIONS OF QA AND SAID QA CONFIRMED U.S. -BERLIN
RELATIONSHIP AND REAFFIRMED U.S. SECURITY QUARANTEE FOR
CITY. HE FOUND U.S. OFFICIALS CONVINCED THAT BALANCE
ACHIEVED IN QA AFTER DIFFICULT NEGOTIATIONS SHOULD NOT BE
DISTURBED.

4. SCHEUTZ REMARKED THAT U.S. SOVIET DIALOGUE HAD ENTERED
HOPEFUL PAHSE AND THEREFORE HE WAS LESS CONCERNED THAT UNILATERAL
STEPS WOULD BE TAKEN AGAINST BERLIN. ALTHOUGH DANGER OF ONE-
SIDED U.S. TROUP REDUCTIONS IN EUROPE WAS GREATER THAN IT HAD
BEEN A FEW YEARS AGO, HE WAS CONVINCED THAT BERLIN WOULD CONTINUE
TO BE PART OF U.S. WORLDWIDE RESPONSIBILITIES AS IT HAD BEEN IN
PAST.

5. IN MAY 9 SPEECH ON OCCASION OF REOPENING OF THE AMERIKA
HAUS, SCHUETZ PRAISED ROLE OF INSTITUTION IN BERLIN LIFE NOTABLY
IN PERIOD IMMEDIATELY AFTER WAR WHEN IT PROVIDED MUCH DEMANDED
SOURCE OF INFORMATION, PARTICULARLY TO CITIZENS FROM SOVIET
SECTOR. SCHUETZ CONCLUDED BY NOTING COINCIDENCE OF REOPENING
WITH AIRLIFT COMMEMORATION, REMEMBRANCE OF WHICH HE SAW AS
DEMONSTRATION OF "UNRENOUNCEABLE" FRIENDSHIP OF FRG, BERLIN AND
U.S.KLEIN

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